

MINUTES
CALLED MEETING
STEPHENS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COURTHOUSE ANNEX
MAY 21, 2007
10:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Commissioners Kenneth Peeples, Rex Anderson, and Harold Andrews; County Administrator Darrell Hampton; Finance Director Phyllis Ayers; County and Kimberly Ashe Interim Clerk.

Commissioner Peeples called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and welcomed those present.

I. APPROVE AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Andrews, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

II. NEW BUSINESS

**1. REPRESENTATIVE JEANETTE JAMIESON SPOKE BEFORE THE
COMMISSION ON THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

Rep. Jamieson suggested the utilization of the Department of Corrections work crews to help cut costs on the jail project. Rep. Jamieson informed the Commission that she had met with the DOC herself and they had agreed to help in anyway possible on the jail project. Jamieson made reference to a letter Administrator Hampton had received from Peter Brown. She stated that the DOC has recently completed construction of the Homer City Hall. Representative Jamieson also mentioned that a saving of thirty five to forty percent could be expected if inmate labor was used. Representative Jamieson requested that the Commission meet with a DOC representative to discuss any options that may exist. In closing, Rep. Jamieson made mention of a letter that the Commission should receive on Wednesday clarifying the definition of assessed value.

Commissioner Peeples thanked Representative Jamieson for her assistance and assured her that the Commission would be prudent with the counties money. He stated, "I personally applaud you for your efforts to help us on this matter. I thoroughly appreciate it."

It was discussed and decided that the Courthouse Restoration meeting could be cancelled for Wednesday May 23rd.

The motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Andrews

to schedule a meeting with Jeanette Jamieson and the Department of Corrections at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday the 23rd. **Motion carried unanimously.**

2. DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE SPLOST V PROJECTS

The Commissioners each stated the project that they had in mind. Mr. Peeples made a statement to the press, requesting citizen input. He asked that any suggested projects be submitted in writing to the Commissioners office.

The floor was then opened to the citizens. Mr. Lawson stated the need and importance of infrastructure and the matching funds available for development in this area. He also made mention of Haystone Brady and the Meadowbrook transfer station.

Commissioner Anderson made the motion to accept suggestions in written form addressed to the Commission. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Andrews. **Motion carried unanimously.**

III. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Harold Andrews and seconded by Rex Anderson. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2007.

Kenneth Peeples, Chairman

Attest: _____
Kimberly Ashe, Interim County Clerk